

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	CASE NO. 5:18CR34-7
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PLAINTIFF,	)	JUDGE SARA LIOI
	)	
vs.	)	
	)	ORDER
KARLA HERNANDEZ-SALAZAR,	)	
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DEFENDANT.	)	

This matter is before the Court upon Magistrate Judge Kathleen B. Burke's report and recommendation that the Court ACCEPT Defendant Karla Hernandez-Salazar ("Defendant") plea of guilty and enter a finding of guilty against defendant. (Doc. No. 139.)

On January 17, 2018, the government filed an indictment against defendant. (Doc. No. 1.) On July 24, 2018, this Court issued an order assigning this case to Magistrate Judge Burke for the purpose of receiving defendant's guilty plea. (Doc. No. 131.)

On July 27, 2018, a hearing was held in which defendant entered a plea of guilty to count 39 of the indictment, charging her with Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute and to Distribute Cocaine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. Section 846. Magistrate Judge Burke received defendant's guilty plea and issued a Report and Recommendation ("R&R") recommending that this Court accept the plea and enter a finding of guilty. (Doc. No. 139.)

Neither party objected to the Magistrate Judge's R&R in the fourteen days after it

was issued.

Upon *de novo* review of the record, the Magistrate Judge's R&R is ADOPTED. Specifically, the Court finds as follows: that the defendant is competent to enter a plea, that she understands her constitutional rights, that she is aware of the consequences of entering a plea, and that there is an adequate factual basis for the plea. The Court further finds that the plea was entered knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily. Accordingly, the defendant's plea of guilty is APPROVED.

Therefore, the defendant is adjudged guilty of count 39 in violation of 21 U.S.C. Section 846. The sentencing will be held on December 19, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: September 21, 2018

  
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**HONORABLE SARA LIOI**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**